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SUBJ EGYPTIAN ATTENDANCE AT COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED MEETING

STATE 171412

1. WE UNDERSTAND EGYPTIAN DELEGATION TO COLOMBO MEETINGS NOT YET DETERMINED. HOWEVER, WE ARE INFORMALLY ADVISED THAT FONMIN FAHMY EXPECTS TO ATTEND NAM FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING AND THAT PRESIDENT SADAT PLANS TO ATTEND SUMMIT.

2. IF FAHMY GOES, IT IS LIKELY THAT HIS CHEF-DE-CABINET, USAMA EL-BAZ, WOULD ALSO BE A MEMBER OF EGYPTIAN DELEGATION. EL-BAZ SPENT MANY YEARS IN US AS STUDENT, IS WELL DISPOSED TOWARDS US, AND WE WORK CLOSELY WITH HIM. WHETHER HE WOULD BE WILLING TO TALK WITH US OFFICERS IN COLOMBO DEPENDS UPON (A) HOW BUSY HE IS KEPT AND (B) FAHMY'S INSTRUCTIONS. EGYPTIANS ARE SENSITIVE TO ANY SUGGESTION THAT THEY ARE TOOLS OF USG AND MATTER WOULD HAVE TO BE HANDLED WITH GREAT CARE.

3. WILL SUPPLEMENT ABOVE INFORMATION WHEN EGYPTIAN DELEGATION IS DESIGNATED.

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